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How to change front anti roll bar links on **BMW 3 Compact (E36)** – replacement guide







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This replacement procedure can be used for:

BMW 3 Compact (E36) 316i 1.6, BMW 3 Compact (E36) 318tds 1.7, BMW 3 Compact (E36) 318ti 1.8, BMW 3 Compact (E36) 318ti 1.9, BMW 3 Compact (E36) 323ti 2.5, BMW 3 Compact (E36) 316g 1.6, BMW 3 Compact (E36) 316i 1.9

The steps may slightly vary depending on the car design.

This tutorial was created based on the replacement procedure for a similar car part on: BMW 3 Saloon (E36) 323i 2.5

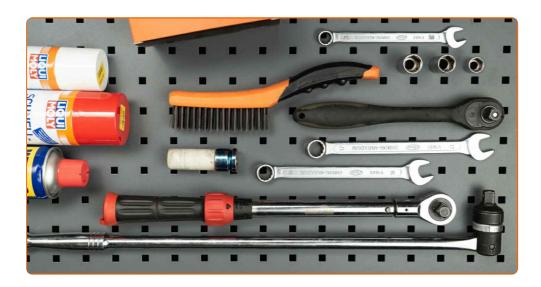
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REPLACEMENT: ANTI ROLL BAR LINKS – BMW 3 COMPACT (E36). TOOLS YOU MIGHT NEED:



- Wire brush
- WD-40 spray
- Brake cleaner
- Copper grease
- Torque wrench
- Combination spanner #13
- Combination spanner #16
- Combination spanner #17

- Drive socket # 13
- Drive socket # 16
- Drive socket #17
- Wheel impact socket #17
- Ratchet wrench
- Hydraulic transmission jack
- Wheel chock

Buy tools

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AUTODOC recommends:

- Replace the stabiliser links on BMW 3 Compact (E36) in pairs.
- The replacement procedure is identical for both stabiliser links on the same axle.
- Please note: all work on the car BMW 3 Compact (E36) should be done with the engine switched off.

CARRY OUT REPLACEMENT IN THE FOLLOWING ORDER:

- 1 Secure the wheels with chocks.
- Loosen the wheel mounting bolts. Use wheel impact socket #17.



- Raise the front of the car and secure on supports.
- 4 Unscrew the wheel bolts.



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AUTODOC recommends:

Warning! To avoid injury, hold the wheel while unscrewing the fastening bolts.
BMW 3 Compact (E36)

Remove the wheel.



6 Clean all joints of the stabiliser link. Use a wire brush. Use WD-40 spray.



Unscrew the fastener connecting the stabilizer bar with the control arm. Use a combination spanner #13. Use a drive socket #13. Use a ratchet wrench.



8 Remove the fastening bolt.



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Unscrew the fastener connecting the stabilizer link to the stabilizer bar. Use a combination spanner #16. Use a drive socket #16. Use a ratchet wrench.



10 Remove the stabilizer rod.



Replacement: anti roll bar links – BMW 3 Compact (E36). AUTODOC experts recommend:

- Examine the stabiliser bushes. Replace them if necessary.
- Clean the mounting seats of the stabiliser link. Use a wire brush. Use WD-40 spray.



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12 Install the transverse stabilizer link.



- 13 Install the fastening bolt.
- Tighten the stabiliser link fastener. Use a combination spanner #17. Use a drive socket #17. Use a ratchet wrench.



Support the arm. Use a hydraulic transmission jack.



Tighten the fastener connecting the stabilizer bar with the control arm. Use a combination spanner #17. Use a drive socket #17. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 42 Nm torque.



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Tighten the fastener connecting the stabilizer link to the stabilizer bar. Use a combination spanner #17. Use a drive socket #17. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 59 Nm torque.



18 Remove the support from under the arm.



AUTODOC recommends:

- Replacement: anti roll bar links BMW 3 Compact (E36). Lower the transmission jack smoothly, without jerks, to avoid damaging components and mechanisms.
- Treat all joints of the stabiliser link. Use copper grease.

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Clean the wheel rim mounting seat. Use a wire brush.



Treat the surface where the brake disc contacts the wheel rim. Use copper grease.



Clean the brake disk surface. Use a brake cleaner.



AUTODOC recommends:

 Replacement: anti roll bar links – BMW 3 Compact (E36). After applying the spray, wait a few minutes.

Install the wheel.



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AUTODOC recommends:

• Warning! To avoid injury, hold the wheel while screwing in the fastening bolts on the car. BMW 3 Compact (E36)

Screw in the wheel bolts. Use wheel impact socket #17.



Lower the car and working in a cross order, tighten the wheel bolts. Use wheel impact socket #17. Use a torque wrench. Tighten it to 120 Nm torque.



Remove the jacks and chocks.





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